



## CANCER BURDEN

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that<sup>1</sup>

■ 1,368,030 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 17,010 in Connecticut.

■ 563,700 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 7,010 in Connecticut.

The average annual age-adjusted death rate for cancer per 100,000 persons<sup>2</sup>

**Connecticut:** 191.5    **National:** 199.8

### LUNG CANCER

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that<sup>1</sup>

■ 2,000 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Connecticut.

■ 1,850 men and women will die of lung cancer in Connecticut.

The CDC National Center for Health Statistics provides the following death rates:

**The average annual age-adjusted death rates for lung cancer per 100,000 persons, by race, 1997–2001<sup>2,3</sup>**

	Connecticut	National
Overall	50.5	56.2
White	50.5	56.2
Black	55.9	65.2
Hispanic	21.4	24.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	15.7	28.2
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	36.3

### BREAST CANCER

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that<sup>1</sup>

■ 2,850 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in Connecticut.

■ 530 women will die of breast cancer in Connecticut.

The CDC National Center for Health Statistics provides the following death rates:

**The average annual age-adjusted death rates for breast cancer per 100,000 persons, by race, 1997–2001<sup>2,3</sup>**

	Connecticut	National
Overall	27.2	27.0
White	26.9	26.4
Black	33.2	35.4
Hispanic	13.2	17.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	12.6
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	13.6

Visit <http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/npcr/index.htm> —

**United States Cancer Statistics** — for more information on top cancer sites by geographic area, race, and gender.

### COLORECTAL CANCER

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that<sup>1</sup>

■ 1,710 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Connecticut.

■ 660 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in Connecticut.

The CDC National Center for Health Statistics provides the following death rates:

**The average annual age-adjusted death rates for colorectal cancer per 100,000 persons, by race, 1997–2001<sup>2,3</sup>**

	Connecticut	National
Overall	20.4	20.8
White	20.2	20.3
Black	24.2	28.3
Hispanic	9.8	14.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.0
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	13.9

### PROSTATE CANCER

In 2004, the American Cancer Society estimates that<sup>1</sup>

■ 3,310 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in Connecticut.

■ 430 men will die of prostate cancer in Connecticut.

The CDC National Center for Health Statistics provides the following death rates:

**The average annual age-adjusted death rates for prostate cancer per 100,000 men, by race, 1997–2001<sup>2,3</sup>**

	Connecticut	National
Overall	28.6	31.5
White	27.3	28.8
Black	66.3	70.4
Hispanic	23.7	23.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.0
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	20.2

<sup>1</sup> Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2004. Estimates exclude more than a million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and *in situ* cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed in 2004. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. State death totals were rounded to nearest 10.

<sup>2</sup> Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1997–2001. Death rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

<sup>3</sup> Hyphens represent suppression of rates when there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.